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Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

[There are no official meetings scheduled at Headquarters *today*, 28 December 2011.]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

[There are no noon briefings or press conferences scheduled until Tuesday, 3 January 2012.]

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Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Programme of work

Since the issuance of the revised programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly (A/INF/66/3/Rev.1), the following changes have been made:

Agenda items 12 (Global road safety crisis), 34 (Prevention of armed conflict) and its sub-item (a) (Strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution), 35 (Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development) and 39 (The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan), originally scheduled for Monday, 12 December 2011, will be considered at a later date in the resumed part, to be announced.

The specific meeting focused on development, to be held under agenda item 117 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit), pursuant to resolution 60/265, has been postponed from Friday, 18 November 2011, to a date in the resumed part, to be announced.

Additional scheduling of items or changes in the programme of work will be announced in the *Journal* and on the Web site of the General Assembly <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/66schedule.shtml>, and will be reflected in revised versions of the note by the President of the General Assembly.

Economic and Social Council

Organizational session for 2012

The Economic and Social Council will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 10 January 2012, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), to elect the President and other members of its Bureau for 2012. The provisional annotated agenda for the organization session will be issued in document E/2012/2.

United Nations Children's Fund

First regular session 2012

The 2012 first regular session of the Executive Board of UNICEF will take place from Tuesday, 7, to Friday, 10 February 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/1. The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

The election of the officers of the Executive Board of UNICEF for 2012 will be held on Wednesday, 18 January 2012, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). The election will be followed by an informal consultation on the thematic discussion on focus area 3 (HIV/AIDS and children), from 4 to 6 p.m.

The 2012 first regular session will be preceded by an informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the Executive Board on Friday, 27 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Advance documentation for the session is available on the following Web site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_59924.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to send their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; fax 1 (212) 326-7096), as early as possible, but no later than *Friday, 20 January 2012*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

First regular session 2012

The first regular session 2012 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will be held from Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 3 February 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2012/L.1[1].

[1]To be issued.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org; fax 1 (212) 906-5634), as early as possible, but no later than *Monday, 23 January 2012*.

The session will be preceded by an informal consultation on matters to be taken up at the first regular session of the Board, on Monday, 16 January 2012, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

According to its decision 2006/14, the Board decided that, prior to the convening of the joint meeting, the new Bureau should be selected, and therefore there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, on Monday, 9 January 2012, from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Working Group of the General Assembly on the Reform of the Human Rights Treaty Bodies" (under agenda item 124) (convened by the delegation of the Russian Federation)

Monday, 9 January 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB);

Thursday, 12 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB);

Monday, 16 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB); and

Thursday, 19 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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International expert group meeting on the theme "Combating violence against indigenous women and girls: Article 22 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples" (organized by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division of Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 18, to Friday 20 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

[The meeting is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Talei Cama, Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail cama@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1295 or 1 (917) 367-5100; fax 1 (917) 367-5102).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English, on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Introduction to United Nations documentation (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 24 January 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Monday, 30 January 2012.

UNITAR Fellowship Programme at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies (January–April 2012)

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies are pleased to invite delegates to the UNITAR Programme at the Yale School. The Programme is open to all members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information and application, please visit the following Web site: <www.unitar.org/ny/international-law-and-policy/fellowship-at-yale-Environmental-studies>. For additional queries, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mail falls@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, 2012

Applications for the 2012 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from Monday, 9 July, to Friday, 17 August 2012, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 10 February 2012*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in French this year. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme Web site <www.un.org/law/ilfp>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Nominations for United Nations Population Award

As stipulated in General Assembly resolution 36/201 of 17 December 1981 (A/RES/36/201) on the United Nations Population Award, Member States are annually requested to nominate an individual or institution that has made "an outstanding contribution to the awareness of population questions or to their solutions" for consideration for the annual Award by the Committee for the United Nations Population Award. The Award currently consists of a monetary prize of US$ 12,500, a gold medallion and a citation and is awarded separately to one individual and one institution, public, private or civil.

The Committee wishes to remind permanent missions that the deadline for submission of nominations for the 2012 Award, which would be awarded in June 2012, is *Saturday, 31 December 2011*.

Questions related to the United Nations Population Award can be directed to the Award secretariat (e-mail populationaward@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-5088), or to the office of the Permanent Representative of Egypt, Chair of the Committee for the United Nations Population Award (e-mail egypt@un.int; tel. 1 (212) 503-0300).

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

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Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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Summary of official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

92nd–93rd plenary meetings

The summary of the 92nd and 93rd plenary meetings of the General Assembly will appear in an addendum to *Journal* No. 2011/248 (No. 2011/248/Add.1), in all official languages, and in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2011/250), in English and French.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

25th meeting

The summary of the 25th meeting of the Fifth Committee will appear in an addendum to *Journal* No. 2011/248 (No. 2011/248/Add.1), in all official languages, and in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2011/250), in English and French.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons. New York, 28 September 1954

Accession: Georgia (23 December 2011)[1]

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Notification under article 4 (3): Peru (23 December 2011)[1]

Agreement on the International Carriage of Perishable Foodstuffs and on the Special Equipment to be used for such Carriage (ATP). Geneva, 1 September 1970

Proposal of amendments to Annex 1 to the ATP (16 December 2011)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2011* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
United Republic of Tanzania
H.E. Mr. Ombeni Sefue

Asia-Pacific States:
Lebanon
H.E. Mr. Nawaf Salam

Eastern European States:
Slovakia
H.E. Mr. Miloš Koterec

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Dominican Republic
H.E. Mr. Héctor Virgilio Alcántara Mejía

Western European and other States:
Netherlands
H.E. Mr. Herman Schaper

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Department of Political Affairs
<www.un.org/depts/dpa>

Presidency of the Security Council
<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>

Security Council
<www.un.org/Docs/sc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
<www.un.org/sc/1540/>

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

Economic and Social Council
<www.un.org/en/ecosoc/>

Office for Disarmament Affairs
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<www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp>

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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 27 December 2011

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A/66/455/Corr.1	Item 28 — Advancement of women — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
A/66/623–S/2011/775	Item 69 (c) — Promotion and protection of human rights: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Identical letters dated 15 December 2011 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2011/634*	Reissued for technical reasons [A C E F R S] — *19 pages*
A/66/623–S/2011/775	Identical letters dated 15 December 2011 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

Economic and Social Council

Documents

Organizational session for 2012

E/2012/2 Item 2 of the provisional agenda — Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters — Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*

Commission for Social Development
Fiftieth session

E/CN.5/2012/1 Item 2 of the provisional agenda — Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters — Provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work — Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *10 pages*

Commission on the Status of Women
Fifty-sixth session

E/CN.6/2012/10 Item 3 (c) of the provisional agenda — Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century": gender mainstreaming, situations and programmatic matters — Economic empowerment of women — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *19 pages*

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
First regular session 2012

E/ICEF/2012/5 Item 5 of the provisional agenda — Road map towards the UNICEF medium-term strategic plan for 2014-2017 [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

First regular session 2012

DP/2012/3 Item 2 of the provisional agenda — Programming arrangements — Second review of the programming arrangements, 2008-2013 [A C E F R S] — *18 pages*

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